

THE FAIR.

Opening of Autumn Goods!

Our readers have noticed in the few months we have been in Middletown, that our bargain columns are worth reading. It is there they find everything new and of the latest on the market. The prices we have fully demonstrated are the cheapest and the quality the best. Every department is full to overflowing with new fall goods. No left overs from last season.

SHADE OPENING—Bargain No. 1—150 Cloth Shades that rightly ought to sell for 25c, mounted on good spring rollers, good colors and well made. While they last they're big bargains at 16c each. Bargain No. 2—A fine lot of Shades, absolutely nothing better sold at 35c, fringe or lace trimmed, 19c each.

FLOWER POTS in all sizes, plain and painted. Hanging baskets, fern jars, JARDINIERS. Opened this week, the largest assortment ever shown in the city—imports from all countries.

YOU WISH to have your baking show up favorably with that of your neighbors. A great many of them are using our Ideal Crustless Bread Pan. Old fashioned opened ones thrown away after once baking in these.

The only genuine, **MRS. POTTS' SAD IRONS**, made by the Bliss & Drake Mfg Co, including three nickel plated irons, 1 stand, 1 forged iron handle which do not break; positively worth 2 sets of any other make. Present price 75c.

HAT TREES or Hat Racks in antique oak. No bed room is furnished without one. Takes no room and for convenience cannot be best, 49c.

COAL HODS—Japaned 16c. Japaned covered, galvanized; galvanized covered, coal sieves, 1 lot, 5c; others 8 and 10c. Long handled Japaned Fire Shovels, for opening week, 4c each.

TOILET SETS—Just received a large bill of these goods from our own pottery. Special attention has been given to our decorations and gold, both burned in, were warranted not to craze, \$1.39 to \$9.98.

The Syndicate Fair Store,

No. 8 EAST MAIN ST., MIDDLETOWN, N. Y.

Other Stores — Carbondale, Pa.; Pittston, Pa.; Hazleton, Pa.; Mahanoy City, Pa.; Shamokin, Pa.

Stern's Cough Cure



Thousands have used it. It is a positive, complete cure for bronchitis and deep seated colds.

FOR SALE AT KING'S DRUG STORE

SEVEN CENTS A POUND FOR CALIFORNIA HAMS.

\$5.35 a Hundred for Granulated Sugar!

HAVEMEYER AND ELDERS.

C. N. PREDMORE & SON.

DOCTORS SEWARD.
Office corner West Main and James streets.
Formerly occupied by Dr. W. H. Dorrance.
FRED W. SEWARD, JR., FRED W. SEWARD, JR.,
10:30 to 12:30 4 to 6 p. m.
Daily except Sunday. 7 to 8 p. m.

JOS. VUOLO, 31 Fulton street—Full line of the best shoes. Ladies' shoes, Godey's, \$1.00. Men's good working shoes \$1.00. Men's fine shoes \$1.25 to \$3. Repairing and cleaning done at very reasonable prices. Shoes made to order. 31 Fulton street. 10 and 12 per pound. 30c. 40c. 50c. 60c. 70c. 80c. 90c. 1.00. 1.10. 1.20. 1.30. 1.40. 1.50. 1.60. 1.70. 1.80. 1.90. 2.00. 2.10. 2.20. 2.30. 2.40. 2.50. 2.60. 2.70. 2.80. 2.90. 3.00. 3.10. 3.20. 3.30. 3.40. 3.50. 3.60. 3.70. 3.80. 3.90. 4.00. 4.10. 4.20. 4.30. 4.40. 4.50. 4.60. 4.70. 4.80. 4.90. 5.00. 5.10. 5.20. 5.30. 5.40. 5.50. 5.60. 5.70. 5.80. 5.90. 6.00. 6.10. 6.20. 6.30. 6.40. 6.50. 6.60. 6.70. 6.80. 6.90. 7.00. 7.10. 7.20. 7.30. 7.40. 7.50. 7.60. 7.70. 7.80. 7.90. 8.00. 8.10. 8.20. 8.30. 8.40. 8.50. 8.60. 8.70. 8.80. 8.90. 9.00. 9.10. 9.20. 9.30. 9.40. 9.50. 9.60. 9.70. 9.80. 9.90. 10.00. 10.10. 10.20. 10.30. 10.40. 10.50. 10.60. 10.70. 10.80. 10.90. 11.00. 11.10. 11.20. 11.30. 11.40. 11.50. 11.60. 11.70. 11.80. 11.90. 12.00. 12.10. 12.20. 12.30. 12.40. 12.50. 12.60. 12.70. 12.80. 12.90. 13.00. 13.10. 13.20. 13.30. 13.40. 13.50. 13.60. 13.70. 13.80. 13.90. 14.00. 14.10. 14.20. 14.30. 14.40. 14.50. 14.60. 14.70. 14.80. 14.90. 15.00. 15.10. 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IN SANTIAGO PROVINCE.

General Wood Goes to Manzanillo to Appoint Civil Officers.

SANTIAGO, Oct. 6.—The United States transport Berlin arrived here yesterday from Ponce, Porto Rico. She had on board 176 convalescents. Their general condition was good, although several typhoid fever cases suffered relapses during the passage. The Berlin will leave here after discharging her army supplies with a small number of sick soldiers.

Colonel Jacobs, the chief quartermaster, who is very sick, is to leave here. He will probably be succeeded by Major Knight, the present depot quartermaster.

General Wood and Lieutenant Colonel Wiley will await the arrival of Pettit's Fourth Immunes for a few days before going to Manzanillo. The Fourth will be stationed at that point. General Wood's party will then begin the appointment of local officials.

Captain Mendoza left here with Colonel Ray for Manzanillo, representing General Lawton's staff.

General Wood will visit the coast towns as far as Gijara, and thence he will go inland to Holguin.

The sum of \$10,000, with the necessary material, has been appropriated for the work of rehabilitating the telegraph system in eastern Cuba. It is thought probable that the cable which was laid by Colonel Allen during the war from Playa del Este to Daiquiri will be used.

Work is being rapidly pushed on the land lines from Santiago to Manzanillo and from Santiago to Guanantamo. When completed, they will be used commercially. Great difficulties have been encountered, and it has been necessary to use pack trains.

The First Massachusetts Artillery.

BOSTON, Oct. 6.—The First Massachusetts heavy artillery, the first volunteer regiment to be mustered into the army for the war with Spain, arrived here yesterday afternoon from South Framingham, where they have been in camp, and were given a furlough of 30 days, after which they will be mustered out. The regiment marched through the streets of the city and was reviewed by Governor Wolcott at the state house. After nearly five months of duty the regiment returned home with a perfect record. Not a man has been lost by desertion; not one has died. The regiment has been kept on coast guard duty ever since it was mustered into the service. Portions of it have been at Fort Warren all summer. Others have been at forts in Salem, Marblehead, Gloucester and New Bedford.

Troops to Leave Camp Meade.

CAMP MEADE, Middletown, Pa., Oct. 6.—Colonel Howard, chief quartermaster on the staff of General Graham, received a telegram last night from the war department instructing him to buy no more lumber and build no more wooden kitchens. This indicates that there will be an early movement of the troops to a warmer climate. While he has no official information, Colonel Howard thinks the movement will begin about Oct. 15, and the troops will be shipped at the rate of one regiment a day. His idea is to locate them in the south until the weather becomes cooler in the West Indies, and then send them there. General Graham, on the other hand, favors the retention of his command here until the war department is ready to ship it direct to Cuba.

Lawton's Sanitary Report.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—The following dispatch from General Lawton has been received at the war department: "Fever cases all kinds, 707; total sick, 1,091. Deaths—Sergeant L. M. Rivers, Company F, Third United States volunteer infantry, yellow fever, Oct. 3; Corporal William Calhoun, Company B, Fifth United States volunteer infantry, dysentery, Oct. 4; Frank Lyons, civilian, acute dysentery, Oct. 4; Private Byron Lakeman, Eighth Illinois volunteer infantry, typhoid malarial fever, Oct. 3."

AMERICAN LINE RESUMES.

St. Louis Will Sail For Southampton on Oct. 12.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 6.—The ex-cruiser St. Louis, under command of Captain Randle, yesterday left Cramps' shipyard, where she has been for weeks, on her voyage to New York, where she will resume her service as a part of the fleet of the International Navigation company. The first transatlantic trip of the St. Louis is scheduled for Oct. 12. She has undergone extensive alterations necessary to convert her from a cruiser into a merchantman. The St. Paul vet remains at Cramps'.

It was originally intended that the St. Paul and St. Louis should go to Newport News for drydocking, but this plan has been changed, and they will have this work done on the other side, at Southampton.

The steamers St. Louis, St. Paul and Peru will sail from New York in the order named as previously announced, the first sailing to be that of the St. Louis on Oct. 12. The New York, whose name was the Harvard, will be put up indefinitely at New York, and it is the intention of the company as to continue to maintain their service with the three steamers mentioned.

BASEBALL SCORES.

Results of Yesterday's Games in the National League.

At Brooklyn	0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0	0 1 3 1
Brooklyn	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	2 5 1
At St. Louis	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	1 3 1
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At Philadelphia	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	1 3 1
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At Cincinnati	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	1 3 1
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At Boston	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	1 3 1
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Table of Percentages.

At Brooklyn	57.1	68.2	70.6	50.6
Brooklyn	41.0	44.7	45.7	48.5
At St. Louis	57.1	68.2	70.6	50.6
St. Louis	41.0	44.7	45.7	48.5
At Philadelphia	57.1	68.2	70.6	50.6
Philadelphia	41.0	44.7	45.7	48.5
At Cincinnati	57.1	68.2	70.6	50.6
Cincinnati	41.0	44.7	45.7	48.5
At Boston	57.1	68.2	70.6	50.6
Boston	41.0	44.7	45.7	48.5

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

It is announced in Madrid that Adolfo Gervasio will be appointed a lieutenant.

A returned Klondike miner has reported finding bones of mastodons and mammoths on his claim.

Spain has sanctioned the sale to South American republics of the Spanish gunboats in Cuban waters.

The German warship Kaiserin Augusta will send marines to Feking to guard the German legation there.

BOYNTON TESTIFIES.

Chickamauga Park Commissioner Before the Board.

DEFENDS CAMP ADMINISTRATION.

No Lack of Rations—Great Efficiency of Supply Department—Sickness Chiefly Among Volunteers—The Canteen System Condemned.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—General Wheeler completed his testimony before the war investigating commission yesterday and was followed by General H. V. Boynton, who was still on the stand when the day's session closed. General Wheeler's statement of yesterday dealt entirely with the conditions at Camp Wilcox and General Boynton's with those at Camp Thomas, where he is now in command. General Boynton described in detail the provisions for supplying the Georgia camp with water and told many interesting facts about the location of the troops and the precautions taken to care for and protect them, whether sick or well. He said the men wasted more food than the Army of the Cumberland consumed during the civil war in the siege of Chattanooga, and he eulogized the supply methods of the war department throughout.

General Boynton asserted that the camp was not crowded, that the streets were about 20 feet wide and that there was sufficient distance between the various regiments. General Brooke had himself selected the ground for each regiment and brigade, and each subdivision of the army was sent immediately upon its arrival to its designated point.

General Boynton said that the sinks were from 30 to 90 feet from the tents and that in some instances the kitchens were not farther than 20 feet from the sinks. Much of the kitchen refuse was burned, but in other cases the refuse was dumped into kitchen sinks, and then at times it was hauled off and dumped in the woods contrary to orders. Men were obdurate about such matters, and it was a difficult matter to properly police so extensive a camp. He had talked almost every day with the chief surgeon of the camp in regard to the inspection of sinks, and he was assured that there was a daily inspection.

Speaking of typhoid fever in the camp, he said it did not excite serious attention until about the middle of July, when the cases averaged about 2 per 1,000. It afterward increased until there were about 400 cases among the 50,000 men. He said he had given especial attention to the hospital of the Second division of the Third corps, as it had received the special attention of the able and influential sensational press.

He had found that out of 2,462 cases of illness in this hospital there had been only 276 cases of typhoid. The fever has in all cases been of a mild character. At one time, after measles broke out in the camp, the hospitals were crowded, though he did not think such had been the case at any other time. Practically all the sickness was among volunteers. The regulars were not sick. Asked if each regiment had a sutler, General Boynton replied, "They had something worse than a sutler—each one had a canteen."

He said 372 carloads of beer had been sold in the camp. Captain Howell asked about whisky sales, and General Boynton replied that it had been found difficult to entirely cut out the very sharp moonshiners from Captain Howell's state. It was also a fact that Chattanooga was a splendid town, but the saloons were open day and night, while on Sunday they were "closed on the outside and open on the inside."

General Brooke's orders allowed two out of each company to visit Chattanooga per day, which would prevent the absence of about 1,200 men. He deprecated the fact that army regulations permitted the canteen system. He said he had never seen such efficiency in the field as in the case of Camp Thomas. All the officials had worked day and night to render the system effective and had succeeded. The storehouses were so full toward the last as to render an overflow house necessary. Sufficient medicines were sent to Atlanta from Camp Thomas to supply 50 regiments for a campaign. There was no lack of rations, and the rations were all good. The variety was equal to that supplied by a family grocery. Each man had a loaf of bread daily. Fresh meat was also supplied. Sometimes some of the meat was spoiled, but, as a rule, it was good. He believed that there was more food left over every day than the Army of the Cumberland had for its entire Chattanooga campaign.

"No army was ever so well supplied with food, and if the men did not know how to cook it neither Secretary Alger nor President McKinley nor any one in Washington can be held responsible," said the general, with some emphasis.

General Boynton spoke in especial commendation of the Young Men's Christian association tents, which he said were the best things in the service. On the other hand, he condemned the outside drinking houses, where he said that slop was sold that was worse than whisky. He remarked in this connection that Governor Atkinson and the Georgia authorities had co-operated with the military authorities in a most exemplary manner to suppress these institutions. He said there was no lack of transportation, especially in coming in. All arrived in Pullman cars or in day coaches. It was not as it was in the civil war, when a box car was good enough.

Most of the complaints were, he said, from the typhoid fever patients, who were, of course, kept on low rations as a medical precaution. There was never any shortage of rations, the newspaper statements to the contrary notwithstanding.

In the course of his testimony General Boynton was asked about photographs he was reported to have taken showing the condition of garbage barrels in the camp. He said he had found some garbage receptacles left by the First Illinois cavalry the day after they broke camp which were full of vermin and had made a picture of one of them. It was an unpleasant sight, but, while this was true, the regiment was a good one, and the general said he did not desire to cast any reflections upon it. At 4 p. m. the commission adjourned.

ENGLAND AND THE CONTINENT

Smoking was not permitted in English railway carriages until 1840.

In some parts of Norway corn is still used as a substitute for coin.

There are 27 royal families in Europe, two-thirds of which are of German origin.

It is said that the first weeping willow in England was planted by Alexander Pope, the poet.

The "preservation of the peace" in Europe by means of navies and standing armies costs \$950,000,000 a year.

The cartmen who haul sand to Rome for builders work 19 hours a day for 35 cents, and sleep in the stables with their mules.

As an effect of the South Wales coal strike, the Great Western railway has sustained a direct loss upon a carriage of minerals of £138,000.

No restaurant in St. Petersburg is allowed to have its bill of fare exclusively in a foreign language. By a recent edict a Russian version must always be added.

There are 400,000,000 people in the British empire, and the queen would have to live another 70 years to enable her to see all of them pass before her, if marching night and day for all that time.

A recent report issued in Germany says that 3,574,501 hectoliters of beer were absorbed in Berlin in 1897, "so that each inhabitant drank 200 liters." In 1892 the average consumption was 169 liters.

The system of vaccination is so perfect in the German army that smallpox has been reduced to six or seven cases annually. All recruits are vaccinated, and there must be at least ten punctures in each arm.

It is stated that Turkey lost less than 1,000 men in battle in the Greek war, but 19,000 died in Thessaly of disease and 22,000 were sent home invalided and of the latter 8,000 subsequently died. Among the dead were 17 army surgeons.

MORE OR LESS IMPERSONAL.

A sign before the door of a dentist reads thus: "Teeth extracted while you wait."

A farmer near Cottonburg, Ky., has induced a terrier dog to remove the weeds from tobacco plants.

An advertiser in a Boston paper announced his desire for "Board and room in a convenient farmhouse, where two cows could also be pastured."

A farmer in West Bath, Me., believes that it is contrary to nature to put shoes on horses, and makes all his horses, from colthood up, travel on their hoofs. The absence of shoes does not seem to inconvenience them in the least.

An artist in a New York paper pictured the Vesuvius in action and surrounded in dense clouds of smoke with his pneumatic guns. That artist is to be informed that the Vesuvius uses only smokeless air in discharging her dynamite guns.

A little surprise awaited two women who recently met in the office of a Chicago lawyer. They had never seen each other before, but ere they left the office the discovery was made that each had called to begin proceedings to obtain a divorce from the same man.

There were 10 shocked and angry folks in Whiting, Ia., when they learned that the young clergyman of a Christian church in that little town was about to become the husband of Miss Annie Bigelow. He was expected to be married to every one of them. He has resigned from the church.

In a recent warm Sunday there were only a few worshippers present in the little church at Norristown, Pa. As the clergyman was about to begin his sermon, he said: "Brethren, it's hot, but I say 'comfort before pride.'"

AMONG ANIMALS.

The deer really weeps, its eyes being provided with lachrymal glands. The California woodpecker will carry an acorn 30 miles to store in its hole.

Seventeen parcels of ants' eggs from Asia, weighing 550 pounds, were sold in Berlin recently for 20 cents a pound. A pigeon recently reached its home in Blackburn, having taken seven weeks to make the journey of 6,000 miles from Bordeaux.

There are three varieties of the dog called "beaver bark"—the Australian dog, the Egyptian shepherd dog and the "beaver-bark" dog of Tibet. The insect known as the water boatman has a regular pair of ears, his legs are used as such. He swims on his back, as in this position there is less resistance to his progress.

The largest hornet's nest that has ever been taken undamaged was more than a yard in circumference and one of four inches in length. It was found suspended from a roof of a house on the earl of Clarendon's estate, and weighed barely three pounds. It was said to contain 730 insects.

BILLVILLE PHILOSOPHY.

Many of our poor relatives who went to the war have so far failed to return. The Lord will provide.

We were not in any actual fighting, but we stumbled over a cannon in the dark, and it went off and took our leg with it.

Our left leg has been shot off several weeks, and no pension yet. I am about the slowest government we ever served under.

We don't know where this government is going. All we do know is that we're mixed up with it, and we've got to go along.—Atlanta Constitution.

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Millinery Opening

It is with great pride that we announce our opening of Fall and Winter Millinery. We have prepared an exhibition that is unsurpassable in this market, and extend a most cordial invitation to all to come and view this exquisite array of beautiful hats, and note that while the styles far surpass those of exclusive milliners the prices are much below theirs. We have spared neither effort nor expense to make our collection representative of the fashion's best and most beautiful. You are very welcome to inspect the fruits of our work. In connection with the opening, we shall also offer some special values in Trimmed Hats. Every idea that is worthy, stylish and desirable is here in a complete line of colors. As for Trimmings, the most beautiful things in that line are here. As for Prices, they could not possibly be lower. Find here the popular Army Hat at less prices than the exclusive milliners charge, and a large variety of alpine and Salton's black, blue, grey and brown at specially reduced prices.

Grand Opening of Ladies' Winter

Suits, Jackets and Dress Skirts

JACKETS—When you come to the Millinery Opening you must not forget that our great event, the initial showing of the new outer garments on the same floor. There is nothing that you could wish for in the Jacket or Skirt line that you will not find here. Jacket, in the latest fashion, and at the same time exclusive. Skirts that are a marvel of beauty and art. Here are a few prices:

BOULE CAPES 25 inches long, full sweep, \$2.50 value. At Tompkins' \$1.50 each.

BOULE CAPES 36 inches long, regularly \$5. At Tompkins' \$2.50 each.

Handsome Kersey Coats. Tailor made, double breasted, \$5.50 each, worth \$8.50.

Ladies' Boule Jackets,

Lined throughout with silk finished lining serge, made up in the latest style, and sold everywhere else for \$6. At Tompkins' \$3.99 each.

Black Brilliantines. A good right quality that will give excellent wear. Just the fabric for a street dress, 25c a yd.

Fine Black Surah Serge. Strictly pure wool, 45 inches wide, not to be had elsewhere for less than 75c. At Tompkins' 50c per yard.

Novelty Dress Goods.

All choice colors, silk finished effects, 25c value. At Tompkins' 15c per yard.

Black Figured Brilliantines.

New choice goods. Two lots 25 and 35c per yard here. In other stores and the same goods marked 35 and 50c.

All Wool Granite Cloth.

Buyers Novelty in two toned effects, 50 inch all wool navy and storm serge. These sell regularly elsewhere for 65 to 75c. At Tompkins' 50c per yard.

DRESS SKIRTS.

Handsome tailor-made dress skirts, made of two-toned novelty goods, actual value \$3.50. At Tompkins' \$2.25 each.

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Men's Fleece Underwear. 50c quality, 35c each.

Men's Grey or White Merino Underwear.

50c quality, here 35c each.

Ladies' Merino Underwear

35c each, worth 50c.

Men's Double Breasted Grey Undershirts,

Men want to match, 35c elsewhere, here 25c each.

Men's Camel Hair Underwear

35c and \$1 each, elsewhere \$1 and \$1.25.

Babies' Ribbed Shirts,

Buttoned all way down, 10c each.

Babies' Merino Shirts

and Drawers 5c each.

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35c a pair, grey only, worth 50c.

75c a pair, grey or white, worth \$1.

\$1 a pair, grey or white, worth \$1.25.

1.25 a pair, grey or white, worth \$1.75.

2.00 a pair, grey or white, worth \$2.50.

2.50 a pair, worth \$4.

3.00 a pair, worth \$6.50.

7.50 a pair, worth \$10.

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BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 6.—Fair to-night and Friday; much cooler; Wednesday morning, killing frosts; temperature will reach nearly freezing in interior; brisk northwestern winds, diminishing.

THE TEMPERATURE.
The following was the registry of the thermometer at Frank's drug store:
7 a. m., 60°; 12 m., 70°; 3 p. m., 71°.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.
—Oct. 8.—"Queen of the Gypsies," at Casino.
—Oct. 10.—Mary Powell excursion.
—Oct. 11.—New England Supper, at First Congregational Church.
—Oct. 12.—Excursion to Carbondale, via Erie Railroad.
—Oct. 24.—Annual fall excursion to New York, via O. and W. Railroad.
—Oct. 25.—War graphophone, at Casino.
—Sept. 29.—"When London Sleeps," at Casino.

CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION.
The Democrats of the Seventeenth Congressional District of the State of New York are hereby requested to send delegates to a convention, to be held in Middletown, N. Y., at the Casino, on the 7th day of October, 1898, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of placing in nomination a Democratic candidate for Member of Congress in said district, and to transact such other business as may properly come before said convention.
By order of Congressional Committee.
Dated September 20th, 1898.
A. S. EMBLER, Chairman.

COUNTY CONVENTION.
The Democratic Convention for Orange county, for the purpose of nominating candidates for county offices, and transacting such other business as may properly come before it, will be held at the Court House in Goshen, Tuesday, Oct. 11th, at 12 noon.
S. D. ROBINSON, Chairman.
THOMAS FULTON, Secretary.

DEMOCRATIC NOMINATIONS.

STATE.
For Governor, AUGUSTUS VAN DYCK, of Kings.
For Lieutenant-Governor, ELLIOT DANFORTH, of Chenango.
For Secretary of State, GEORGE W. BATTEN, of Niagara.
For Controller, EDWARD S. ATWATER, of Dutchess.
For Treasurer, ELLIOT B. NORRIS, of Wayne.
For Attorney-General, THOMAS F. CONWAY, of Clinton.
For Engineer and Surveyor, MARTIN SCHENCK, of Rensselaer.
JUDICIARY.
For Justice of the Supreme Court, ALBERT F. JENKS, of Kings.
For Justice of the Supreme Court, JOSHUA T. MAREAN, of Kings.
SENATORIAL.
For State Senator, WILLIAM QUAIL, of Newburgh.
ASSEMBLY.
For Member of Assembly (First District), JAMES E. WARD, of Crawford.
For Member of Assembly (Second District), DANIEL F. SCHULTZ, of Port Jervis.

Almet F. Jenks and Joshua T. Marean, the Democratic candidates for Justices of the Supreme Court in this district, are two of the leading members of the Brooklyn bar. They have held important offices and have made excellent records. Mr. Marean is now the district attorney of Kings county, having been elected last fall, and has proved himself a brilliant and efficient prosecutor. The candidates meet every requirement for positions on the bench and, if elected, will bring to the discharge of their judicial duties the wide legal knowledge and the varied experiences with human nature that are needed in judges who preside over trial courts.

"Rally round the flag, boys," keep the Philippines, increase the navy and enlarge the army were the rallying cries of the Republican campaign sounded at the meeting in New York City, Wednesday night. By the beating of tom-toms, the sounding of "hew-gags," and the display of pyrotechnics the Republicans hope to divert the attention of voters from the real issues of the campaign, which are: Shall the stealing and squandering of \$3,000,000 of the canal appropriation be allowed to go unpunished and without even an attempt to bring to justice the Republican officials responsible for the wholesale theft and waste; shall reckless expenditures be continued in all departments of the State government, or shall an honest and economical administration be assured by placing the control of State affairs in the hands of Democrats, who never yet failed to closely guard the people's interests and the tax payers' money; shall the national guard, once the pride of the State, be further demoralized and discredited by the incompetence of executive officers appointed for political and social reasons; shall the appointment of notoriously unfit men to important offices be rebuked, or shall all the places in the civil service of the State be made the spoil of political booters—shall tax dodging be encouraged and rewarded? These are some of the real and vital issues to be determined by the citizens of the State. They are issues that directly affect every taxpayer and every voter, and a hurrab campaign will not blind them to their importance, or cause them to be forgotten.

KILLED BY INDIANS!

Gen. Bacon's Detachment May Have Been Annihilated

PHILIPPINE INSURGENTS.

Landing of Troops at Iloilo Caused a Panic Among Them.

Gen. Bacon's Detachment Said to Have Been Annihilated by Indians.
BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Oct. 6.—A staff correspondent of the Journal wires, this morning, from Walker, Minn.:
The force of eighty men under Gen. Bacon has been annihilated. Inspector Tinker sent word to the War Department, last night, that the 3rd Infantry detachment had been wiped out by Indians. I got in very late from the expedition on the Flora. We started out to carry supplies and rations to the troops. It was very dark off shore and we signalled for an hour hour. We used the code in use at Santiago. Either the troops have been driven inland or there is now no man left. No answering signal of any sort was received, although we lay off and on the whole length of the headlands.

TROOPS NOT WIPED OUT.
A later special to the Journal from Walker, Minn., says: "I have just met an Indian named Mah-Ge-Guh-Bo, who came over from Bear Island in a canoe. He says the loss of whites is ten killed and fifteen wounded. He denies that the troops have been wiped out, but says the Indians have had the best of it. Their loss does not exceed five killed and wounded. I have other information that there are fifty dead Indians within a mile of the lake.

HURRYING FORWARD REINFORCEMENTS.
MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 6.—A special train left for Fort Snelling, this morning, with companies E, F and H, under the command of Lieut. Col. Harbach, of the Third Infantry. It cannot reach Walker before 2 o'clock. There are 200 picked men in the detachment, and they have three days' rations, an abundance of ammunition and a Gatling gun.

ONLY EIGHT KILLED.
LATER—A special from Walker says: Major Wilkinson, six privates and one Indian policeman are killed. Col. Sheehan is slightly wounded. Thirty Indians are dead. There has been desperate fighting all morning.

PANIC AMONG PHILIPPINE INSURGENTS.

MADRID, Oct. 6.—The landing of the Spanish troops at Iloilo caused a panic among the insurgents, who at once surrendered a quantity of cannon, arms and ammunition. The insurgents withdrew to the mountains and some have surrendered.

OBITUARY.

George S. Tallman.
George S. Tallman died Monday night, at his home, 214 North street, aged eighty-four years.

He was born in the town of Goshen and was the son of Joseph and Ann Tallman. He was at one time a contractor but had no occupation in recent years. His wife died Sept. 1st and after that he failed rapidly. He is survived by a son Henry, of Detroit, and by two sisters, Frances E. Tallman and Harriet E. Russell, of this city, with whom he lived after his wife's death. A brother, Egbert J. Tallman, of Phillipsport, also survives.

The funeral notice appears elsewhere.

Republican County Nominations.

At Goshen, to-day, the Republicans made the following nominations:
For County Treasurer—Charles L. Mead, of Middletown.
For Special Surrogate—John B. Swezy, of Goshen.
For Superintendent of the Poor—Alexander Sutherland, of Woodbury.
For Coroners—Joseph C. Miller, of Highlands; Joseph Harding, of Deepark.

Another Death from Violent Diphtheria at Ira Seeley's.

Frank S. Furman, son of Mrs. Ira Seeley, died, Wednesday, at the home of the family in Mount Hope, of malignant diphtheria. The boy was ten years old and his death is the third that has occurred in the family. A fourth boy is apparently recovering from the disease.

Called to Troy by the Death of Her Father.

Mrs. John T. Colwell was called to Troy, today, by the death of her father, Andrew McDonald, at the age of eighty years.

The wife of the deceased, three daughters and one son survive him.

—Fine confectionery, ice cream and soda water at Lusk's Palace Confectionery, 34 North street. 64dt

—Fine fruits, nuts, candies, etc., the best and cheapest, at Lusk's Candy Kitchen, 17 W. Main street. 64dt

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Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 60c. All drug stores.

\$100 Dollars Free.
The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.
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We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligation made by their firm.
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We open, to-day, a case double front and back heavy fleeced Shirts and Drawers, men's, at 50c each. This kind is sold elsewhere at 75c.

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We open, to-day, a new invoice of Muslin Underwear at the lowest prices ever asked. Come and see.

See our 4c 36-inch Sheet—ing A great bargain.

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IN OUR DRESS GOODS STOCK

You will find the best values at
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that are possible to be had, and the greatest variety. We also show a large and attractive line of higher priced goods at \$1.15, \$1.25, \$1.50 and up. You cannot afford to miss seeing this stock when you get ready for the new fall dress.
In Kid Gloves we show a greater stock than any previous season, and they are the right kinds.

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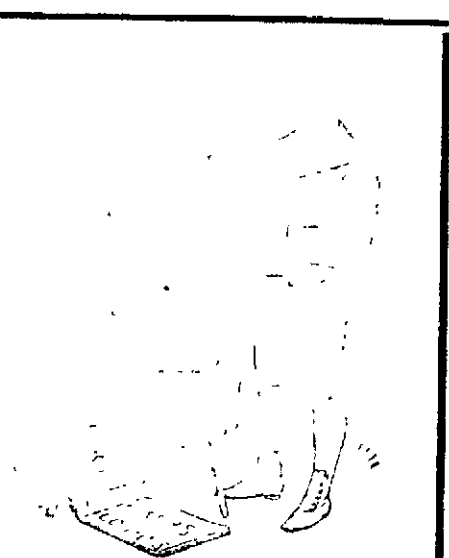
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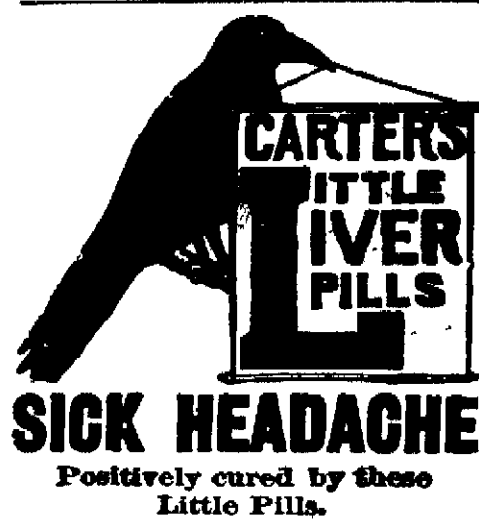
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[A Story of the Franco-Prussian War—How Two Americans Were Made to Face Death by an Officer Using His Authority to Gratify a Personal Rival]

IT WAS in the cozy smoking-room of a prominent New York club that the following story was related. Several guests were sipping the club's hospitalities, and among them was a certain Capt. Lambert, an officer in the United States service who had won laurels in western campaigns.

The conversation had turned on the part taken by the comte de Paris in our late rebellion—his motives in attaching himself to the army of the Potomac, his participation in camp duties, and the personal enthusiasm which he displayed in all his actions.

"Some 30 years ago," said Capt. Lambert, taking advantage of a pause in the discussion, "I was in a position exactly reverse to that of the count. I was attached to the staff of Marshal Cavilliers during the Franco-Prussian war. Less fortunate than the count, however, I fell into the hands of the enemy, and narrowly missed leaving my bones on French soil.

"During the summer of 1870, Lieut. Carrol and myself traveled extensively on the continent inspecting as far as possible the military systems employed by various European governments. In Berlin I had the misfortune to become involved in a quarrel with a German officer—a haughty young fellow by whom I was grossly insulted. I made complaint at the proper place, and Steinmetz—that was his name—was reprimanded severely as I afterward ascertained.

"The outbreak of the war, which was like a thunderbolt from a clear sky to all Europe—found us in Paris. Here was an opportunity not to be despised. We fully realized the advantage of witnessing in person a struggle between two such mighty powers as France and Germany, and after infinite trouble and intercession we were finally assigned to the staff of Marshal Cavilliers, mainly through the kindness of the American minister at Paris.

"The history of that brief but disastrous campaign is familiar to you all. Carrol and I were treated with every courtesy and respect, but were given little opportunity to see what was going on until the battle of Mars-la-Tour. Then, during the excitement of the next few days, we had our hands full and both Carrol and myself were utilized as dispatch bearers.

"For a night and a day we lived in our saddles, without sleep and almost without food. On the evening preceding the battle at Gravelotte we found ourselves in a small village, midway between Gravelotte and Metz. Thoroughly exhausted, we were glad to lie down in an empty forage wagon for a few hours' sleep.

"But alas! even this brief rest was denied us. We had hardly closed our eyes, when a harsh voice called out our names close at hand, and crawling to the ground we found two officers belonging to Marshal Cavilliers' staff who had been vainly searching for us all that afternoon. Their instructions were to bring us poste haste to the headquarters of the Third army corps.

"Hurry and excitement were visible on all sides as we rode through the devastated country. Guns, ammunition, forage wagons, and all sorts of paraphernalia were being moved to the front, and the troops had been changing their positions so frequently that for a time we could obtain no information concerning Marshal Cavilliers' headquarters.

"We vaguely supposed them to be some place on the right flank of the army, and so we rode on through the night, past the long battle line that was already in position for the coming struggle. As I found out long afterward, the Third army corps was really on the left flank, but in blissful ignorance of this fact we pushed ahead until my companion began to grow uneasy.

"Suddenly a battery that was stationed on a hilltop to our right opened fire vociferously, and we heard the dull rattle of the German guns. I was riding slightly in advance of my companions, and as my gallant black charger galloped over the hilltop I saw at the foot of the long slope a few scattered campfires.

"Yonder lies the Third army corps," I mistake not," exclaimed Lieut. Valdor, and he pointed ahead with his right hand.

"The battery kept pounding away as we trotted briskly down the hill. Then we reached level ground and spurred on toward the gleaming campfires.

"I fear we have blundered," said Carrol, urging his horse to my side, "this mainly does not seem to be—"

"He never finished the sentence, for a very instant half a dozen rifles cracked sharply, and a bullet flash lit the darkness. My horse reared and fell in a heap, flinging me head first to the ground, and I started to my feet, stunned and dizzy, to find myself surrounded by half a dozen of Prussian Phlins. We had ridden right into the enemy's pocket.

"Carrol was also a prisoner, and Lieut. Valdor was lying dead beside the door of his house. The other French officer had evidently made his escape, for I could hear the tramp of hoofs clattering rapidly up the hill.

"Our captors dragged us roughly to the nearest campfire and when its radiance flashed upon the features of the officer in command of the Phlins my heart sank clear down in my boots. My captor was none other than my old enemy Steinmetz.

"The recognition was mutual; the sudden exultant gleam on his brutal features told me that, but he gave no sign that he knew me, while Steinmetz himself went through our pockets.

It is altogether admirable when a man, by dint of sheer will, wrings a fortune from niggardly circumstances. The world is full of instances where men have done this, but never in history was this accomplished by a weak and unhealthy man. If a man will only weaken every physical function but every mental faculty and every moral quality, he will stop and reason for a moment, he does not have to be a physician to understand the causes of impure blood, or its far-reaching effects. When a man's digestion is disordered, his liver sluggish, his bowels inactive, the blood is deprived of the proper food elements, and the sluggish liver and bowels supply in their place, the foulest of poisons. The blood is the life-stream. When it is full of foul poisons, it carries and deposits them in every organ and tissue of the body. Bone, sinew, muscle, and flesh-tissue, the brain cells and the nerve fibres are all fed upon bad, poisonous food. Serious ill-health is bound to result. The man is weakened in every fiber of his body. He is weak physically, mentally and morally. He suffers from sick headache, distress in stomach after meals, giddiness and drowsiness, loss of appetite and sleep, bad taste in the mouth, shakiness in the morning, and dullness throughout the day, and lassitude and an indisposition to work. Sooner or later these conditions develop consumption, nervous prostration, malaria, rheumatism, or some blood or skin disease. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is the best of all known medicines for ambitious, hard-working men and women. It is the great blood-maker and flesh-builder. It makes the appetite keen and hearty, and the digestion and assimilation perfect, the liver active, the blood pure and rich, the nerves steady, the body vigorous and the brain alert. Where there is also constipation Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets should be used. Both of these great medicines are for sale by all medicine dealers.

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